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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of the City of Barron, Barron County, as an
Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Increase Electric Rates

380-ER-101

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING
AND
INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS
AND
TELEPHONIC HEARING**

Telephonic Hearing Date:	Thursday, March 30, 2000 – 9:00 a.m.
Hearing Locations:	Lake Superior Room – 2nd Floor, Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, WI Barron City Hall, 307 East LaSalle Avenue, Barron, WI

THIS IS A PROCEEDING TO consider the application dated June 30, 1999, of the city of Barron, Barron County, (applicant or Barron), as an electric public utility, under Wis. Stat. §§ 196.03, 196.20, and 196.37, for authority to increase electric rates.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission will investigate this matter and hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 30, 2000, at 9:00 a.m. This will be a telephonic hearing conducted from two sites. The applicant will provide a room for customer participation in Barron City Hall, 307 East LaSalle Avenue, Barron, Wisconsin. Customers may call the utility at (715) 537-3855 for further details on the location of the hearing room. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs. Commission staff will participate from the second location, the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, in the Lake Superior Room. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the case coordinator listed below.

The Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

Persons who desire to actively participate as parties must request party status in writing. Party status requests should be addressed to Jeffry J. Patzke, Administrative Law Judge, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed below.

Please contact Jeffry Patzke, Administrative Law Judge, at (608) 266-7165 for specific questions about the hearing process.

Questions from the media may be directed to Jeffrey L. Butson, Public Affairs Director, at (608) 267-0912.

Other questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Jerry Albrecht at (608) 267-5111.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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